

AGAINST IMITATION BUTTER

**AN EFFORT TO STOP THE ILLEGAL
SALE OF BUTTERINE.**

One hundred and twenty-five members of the Mercantile Exchange signed a petition calling for a meeting of the Exchange to discuss the illegal sale of butterine. The meeting was held in the Exchange yesterday immediately after the call. The President, Mr. Washington Bynor, presided.

Mr. J. H. Seymour presented resolutions whose preamble said the word butterine was used for the purpose of deception. The sub-

stance was made of a small portion of butter and a large amount of deodorized lard, and was sold as real butter. The resolutions provided that a committee of five should be appointed to confer with the Attorney-General, the State and city Boards of Health, and the District Attorneys of New York and Brooklyn, in order to induce them to take legal action against those who sold imitation butter. The resolutions brought Mr. Coe Adams to his feet. He said he considered them as a reflection on his action as the Chairman of the Oleomargarine Committee. He thought it would be a disgrace to him to have the resolutions go on file. He wept a little, and said:

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Mr. E. F. Van Valkenberg said he knew a number of people who bought butter for eight cents a pound and retailed it as butter for forty cents a pound. Samples of what was said to be butter were shown to him and the butter in Brooklyn proved to be butterine. People use so much of it that they begin to think it is the product of a new way of making butter. He said that he had seen a number of signs when he went they find a dealer selling fraudulent butter as real butter, should advertise the fact. If people do not do this, he said, they are deceived in front of his store. At present butterine was coming into the city by the car load, unmarked and unbranded.

Mr. J. J. O'Brien is a retailer, said that he had

tried to sell butterine on its merits and under its own name, and found there was no sale for it. He then found that the dealers who had bought butter by other dealers had greatly injured his butter trade. The fraud drove honest men out of business and he was forced to sell and to hold their trade. It was a question whether the wholesale dealers would ever to give credit to such men. In England an inspector takes a sample of butter and if it is found to be adulterated the stores are closed. If fraud is persisted in the stores are closed. It would be well to have such a system here.

Mr. Fish said that he had heard that the adulterated butter had not been sold in England since the English rule as long as it wanted it, and when it was done with it had kicked it out.

Mr. Fish said he had questioned forty retailers and had been told that they were selling butterine as butter.

Mr. William Young said the wholesale merchants should be at the root of the evil and stop selling butters.

The resolutions were carried unanimously. John S. Martin, W. H. Duckworth, B. F. Van Valkenburgh, J. H. Bondi, and A. H. Seymour were appointed as the committee. A resolution was adopted asking persons who sell inferior butters to be sent in names and particulars to enable the committee to take steps to prosecute the retailers.

HIS OWN SOLITARY WITNESS.

Courney Sentenced to State Prison for Life for Killing Young.

Daniel Courney, a "longshoreman," was arrested shortly after a Co.

trial yesterday in the general sessions for murdering Thomas Young, a longshoreman, at 129 Union street, a victim of the night of Sept. 4. Courtney is accused by rheumatism, and he had the appearance yesterday of a man who had drunk deeply. Deputy Coroner Donlin testified that he had found a pistol-shot wound above Young's left ear. The skin about the wound was frayed and blackened by powder. The bullet was found imbedded in the brain. He also found an angular scalp wound, extending from the forehead to the ear.

Policeman Thomas Maher testified that he searched for Courtney vainly on the night of Sept. 4. On the morning of the 5th he watched the door of a house at 92 Union street, Brooklyn, where he believed Courtney was hiding. He

There, in a woodshed, he found Courtney asleep. When Courtney was awakened he trembled like a man who was recovering from a debauch.

Julius Meyer, bartender at 199 South Street, told the police that he saw a man in a light-colored suit enter the room at 10:30 a.m. on the morning of the shooting. He appeared to be asleep. Young went to the back room and took a seat near the table. Courtney was sitting at the table. Meyer told Young: "Get out of here!" Young made some reply that did not reach the ear of the witness, and Courtney drew a pistol, held it to Young's head and fired. Young fell from his chair, blood flowing from a wound in his forehead. Courtney replaced the pistol in his holster and went to the door. When Shaw, John Groth, and Patrick Norton, lodgers at 199 South Street, corroborated Meyer.

County testified that he was partly struck at Young's feet, but that he did not know whether or without any purpose on his part to fire. This was the case for the defence. Recorder Smyth made the killing was evidently not premeditated. The jury returned a verdict of murder in the second degree. Recorder Smyth sentenced him to State prison for life.

Hyams Brothers' Failure.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 16.—With regard to the resignation of Hyams Brothers, clothing of New York and San Francisco, it is stated that the business in this city has been extremely slow to William Hyams of New York. The suit against Edward Hyams grew out of a failure of the two sons of Jacob Hyams, Cohen & Co., to carry out the terms of a contract entered into, entered into to make arrangements with Edward Hyams and others to sell the goods of the late Jacob Hyams.

A Deaf Mate Wedding.
STAMFORD, Oct. 16.—There was a wedding in St. Andrew's Episcopal church here today which possessed peculiar interest because both bride and groom were deaf mutes. Mr. Aaron Wittmeyer of Lancaster, Pa., was the groom, and Miss S. Eliza Lockwood of New York was the bride. The groom's deaf and dumb sister, Mrs. J. C. Wittmeyer, was the officiating minister. The Rev. F. W. Pratt, warden, rector of St. Andrew's and was interpreted in the ceremony by the Rev. J. C. Pratt, pastor of St. Ann's church, New York city. There were a number of numerous presents. The couple will reside in Lancaster.

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—The Union Steel Company was incorporated to-day with a capital stock of \$4,000,000. This company is organized to purchase the plant of the Union Iron and Steel Company. The plan is that the creditors shall take fifty cents on the dollar as credit for the stock in the new company. All the creditors have agreed to this plan. All the creditors are hoping about \$400,000 of the \$2,821,000 of old indebtedness will be paid in full. Resumption of work at the mill is still very indefinite.

Who Killed Rose Ambler?

STAMFORD, Oct. 16.—The Stamford Herald of to-morrow will contain the following: "After a most careful and exhaustive investigation, the Stamford Police have concluded that the man who shot and killed Rose Ambler is the same man who shot and killed the Governor's hearing of the Rose Ambler murder case. The State Attorney's investigation is not yet complete, but the Stamford Police are confident that the man who shot and killed Rose Ambler is the same man who shot and killed the Governor's hearing of the Rose Ambler murder case."

Mr. Morrison Moved to Wrath.
PITTSBURGH, Oct. 16.—Robert Morrison, a claim agent, who was reported by some of our papers to have fled from the city two days ago, leaving a number of papers supporting the loss of annuities varying from \$250 to \$1,200, has returned, and will shortly suit against the papers for libel.

Mayor's Fate in the Governor's Hands.
ALBANY, Oct. 16.—Gov. Cleveland heard Edward Hays's counsel and father-in-law today and said he would consider their request that he should not be sworn in here, but to be sworn in at New York on Friday.

7. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS